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5)□ 6)⊠ 7)□	Claim(s) 23-46 is/are pending in the application 4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdraw Claim(s) is/are allowed.  Claim(s) 24, 26-46 is/are rejected.  Claim(s) is/are objected to.  Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or	vn from consideration.					
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1. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

- 2. Claims 24 and 26-46 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Babu et al taken in view of Davison and in further view of St. Coeur et al (taken as evidence of the state of the art), substantially for the reasons most recently set forth in Paragraph No. 3 of Paper No. 101805, together with the following additional observations. More particularly, the Examiner has little to add to his position of record, except as to the newly presented limitation in independent article claim 46 stating "wherein the pressure sensitive adhesive and the primer are crosslinked" (i.e. presumably together as note applicants' argument, "That is, they are crosslinked together" (Response, page 6, bottom paragraph). In response thereto the Examiner respectfully takes Official Notice thereof that one of ordinary skill would expect that having the primer layer also crosslink with the psa layer would inherently improve the bond strength between the two layers, and as such would be an obvious modification to one of ordinary skill.
- 3. THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL. Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any

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extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Daniel Zirker whose telephone number is 571-272-1486. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Thursday from 8:30 to 6:00. The examiner can also be reached on alternate Fridays.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Terrel Morris, can be reached on 571 – 272 - 1478. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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